

COMMISSIONERS APPROVAL

CHILCOTT

THOMPSON

LYONS

PLETTENBERG (Clerk & Recorder)

Date.....May 23, 2007

Members Present..... Commissioner Chilcott,
Commissioner Alan Thompson and Commissioner Howard Lyons

Minutes: Beth Farwell

The Board met to review and possibly appoint members to the Streamside Setback Committee. Shaun Morrell from Planning Department and Laura Hendrix, Floodplain Administrator were present. Shaun reviewed the committee member openings, presenting the Board with an organized format of the candidates. Commissioner Thompson noted candidates have been recommended by various boards. He suggested they be reviewed first, also noting there are other well qualified applicants of various backgrounds.

Commissioner Chilcott indicated the Board should conduct interviews of these applicants, as many of them are also qualified for other county boards. He also noted the need to have diversity on this board. Commissioner Lyons suggested they earmark the candidates that clearly stand out first. Discussion followed as to who should receive an interview.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to appoint the applicants that have been forwarded by the Boards as follows:

- Roger DeHaan as the representative of the Ravalli County Board of Health
- Howard Eldredge as the representative of the Bitterroot Conservation District
- Ben Hillicoss as the representative of the Ravalli County Planning Board
- Travis Martinez as the representative of the Bitterroot Building Industry Association
- Larry Milless as the representative of the Bitterroot Valley Board of Realtors
- Al Pernichele as the representative of the Ravalli County Right to Farm and Ranch Board; and
- Laurie Riley as the representative of the Bitterroot Water Forum.

Commissioner Lyons seconded the motion and all voted "aye".

Shaun asked if the Board wanted to allow alternates to serve when the actual appointed members could not attend. Commissioner Chilcott stated he wants the continuity of the membership and the members need to be dedicated and committed members of this

committee. If alternates were allowed, they should not have voting privileges. Commissioner Lyons and Commissioner Thompson concurred noting the members are expected to serve.

The Board met with Clerk and Recorder Regina Plettenberg in regard to the special elections for districts. Civil Counsel Alex Beal was also present. Regina explained that certain Fire and Park Districts want their levy's run again because they failed on the last ballot. This would require a special election which is costly and use much of her staff. Regina recommended using a mail ballot which would cut the costs and probably obtain a larger voter turn out. Alex asked when is the next regularly scheduled election was to be held. Regina replied it is May. Commissioner Chilcott asked when they are taxed. Regina replied in October. Alex recommended giving them a choice of November Elections or having a mail ballot. Commissioner Thompson stated while they have the responsibility to run the elections when they are requested, they also need to keep the costs down. He stated he agrees the mail ballot would be the best choice. Commissioner Chilcott suggested they give the district the choice as Alex suggested. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to give the districts the option of either having a mail ballot or waiting until the regular November Elections. Commissioner Lyons seconded the motion and all voted "aye".

The Board also met with Marvin Kyle to discuss the contract adjustment for hauling junk vehicles. Civil Counsel Alex Beal was present. Alex indicated the Board can extend this contract for one year, making the necessary changes. Marvin explained his charges for mileage and how it is affecting his costs due to the cost of gasoline. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to increase the mileage from \$1.85 to \$2.60 per mile with the cost per vehicle remaining the same. Commissioner Lyons seconded the motion and all voted "aye".